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## Commissioner:

The following is responsive to the Office Action mailed on April 15, 2011. A petition for a 1-month extension extending the period of response until June 15, 2011, accompanies this communication. Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are owed: however, should additional fees be owed, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such a fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430.

The Office Action restricts the pending claims into four groups.

Applicants elect Group II corresponding to system claims 16-29.

The Office Action suggests that the Examiner intended to request an election of species but no specific instructions were provided.